

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION  
of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress<sup>1</sup>**

[Date approved: November 4, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 2424 (Mr. Jim Gerlach of Pennsylvania)

**Proponent name, location:** Arkema Inc., Philadelphia, PA.

**Other bills on product (109<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** None.

**Nature of bill:** Extension of temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2008.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

**Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):**

11-Aminoundecanoic acid (CAS No. 2432-99-7) (provided for in subheading 2922.49.40)

**Check one:**     Same as that in bill as introduced.  
                   Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

**Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:**

The subject product is reacted with polyols to form microcrystalline polyurethane foams, which are used to produce molded plastic parts for cars and light trucks. It is imported from Japan.

<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Larry Johnson (202-205-3351); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\\_doc/bill\\_reports/index.htm](http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm).

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

<b>HTS subheading: 2922.49.40</b>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$17,200,000	\$17,200,000	\$29,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$27,000,000
Customs revenue loss <u>1/</u>	\$722,400	\$722,400	\$1,218,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,134,000

1/ Estimated revenue loss for 2005 and 2006 results from a current suspension of duty per heading 9902.32.49.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

**Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):**

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Arkema Inc. (Proponent) Charles Kitchen, 703-527-2099	9/12/2005	No	No	No
DuPont Ms. Elaine M. Olsen, 302-992-2263 Ms. Sharee C. Lawler, 202-728-3664	9/09/2005	No	No	No
Acros Organics USA/B.V.B.A. Ms. Ann Moorkens, 800-766-7000	9/12/2005	No	No	No
BASF Corporation Mr. Greg Thies, 202-558-5100	9/12/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Corporation Ms. Karen L. Niedermeyer, 412-777-2058	9/09/2005	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Deming, Fax: 302-479-5152	9/12/2005	No	No	No
Dow Chemical Company Ms. Lisa Schroeter, 202-429-3400	9/09/2005	No	No	No

EMS-Chemie North America, Inc. Mr. Urs Koeppel, 803-481-6190 Mr. Guiedo Hobi, 803-481-6141	9/12/2005	No	No	No
LANXESS Corporation Mr. Seth Tomei, 412-809-3664	9/09/2005	No	No	No
Solutia, Inc. Mr. Bob Hurley, 202-289-9800	9/12/2005	No	No	No
Yick-Vic Chems & Pharms. (HK) Ltd. Mr. Victor Leung, 852-2541-2772	9/12/2005	No	No	No

**Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup> None

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<sup>3</sup> The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2424

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on 11-Aminoundecanoic acid.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2005

Mr. GERLACH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on 11-  
Aminoundecanoic acid.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. 11-AMINOUNDECANOIC ACID.**

4       (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Heading 9902.32.49 of the Har-  
5       monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to  
6       11-Aminoundecanoic acid) is amended by striking “12/31/  
7       2006” and inserting “12/31/2008”.

8       (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
9       subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of enactment of this Act.

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